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SUBJ: GVN JAN 8 DECLARATION ON FALL OF PHUOC LONG

1. ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER NGO KHAC TINH READ GVN DECLARATION ON NORTH VIETNAMESE SEIZURE OF PHUOC LONG PROVINCE CAPITAL (TEXT BELOW) TO ASSEMBLED DIPLOMATIC CORPS AT 0800 JAN 8, AFTER A SHORT MILITARY BRIEFING ON THE PHUOC LONG SITUATION. DECLARATION WAS MADE PUBLIC AT A PRESS CONFERENCE AT 0900. ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO PASS TEXT OF DECLARATION TO LOCAL GVN REPRESENTATIVES. FRENCH TEXT FOLLOWS TO FRANCOPHONE ADDRESSEES.
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WM BEGIN TEXT: DECLARATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM ON THE SITUATION OF PHUOC-LONG. SAIGON, 8 JANUARY 1975. ON 3 JANUARY 1975, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM URGENTLY ALERTED THE GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD THAT SINCE 14 DECEMBER 1974 COMMUNIST NORTH VIET-NAM HAD DEPLOYED MASSIVE FORCES TO ATTACK EVERY DISTRICT TOWN OF THE PROVINCE OF PHUOC-LONG AND ITS PROVINCIAL CITY, PHUOC-BINH. THIS IS A DEVELOPMENT TYPICAL OF THE GENERALIZED MILITARY OFFENSIVE WHICH COMMUNIST NORTH VIET-NAM HAS BEEN WAGING AGAINST THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM; AND THIS DEVELOPMENT CONSTITUTES THE MOST BLATANT VIOLATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT EVER PERPETRATED.

3. TODAY, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM SOLEMNLY

DRAW THE ATTENTION OF THE GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD ON THE FACT THAT THE NORTH VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST FORCES AFTER HAVING THROWN INTO THE BATTLE ALL THEIR UNITS IN THE AREA, OVERRUN THE PROVINCIAL CITY OF PHUOC-BINH ON 7 JANUARY 1975.

4. THE PRINCIPAL CONCERN OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM, AS WELL AS OF ALL THE PEOPLES THE WORLD OVER WHO ARE ANIMATED BY HUMANITARIAN FEELINGS, ARE AT PRESENT FOCUSED ON THE FATE OF MORE THAN 42,000 CIVILIANS INCLUDING 26,000 AT PHUOC BINH CITY, MOSTLY COMPOSED OF WOMEN CHILDREN AND MANY SEVERELY WOUNDED PERSONS.

5. THE FORCIBLE SEIZURE OF PHUOC-LONG IS INDEED AN INDENIABLE EVIDENCE OF THE HANOI'S UNCHANGING POLICY OF USING THE PARIS AGREEMENT AS A SCREEN TO PROGRESSIVELY TAKE OVER THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM BY FORCE.

6. THIS ACT ALSO LAYS BARE THE DECEITFUL AND TREACHEROUS NATURE OF THE USUAL COMMUNIST CLAIMS THAT THEY SERIOUSLY AND FAITHFULLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT. FROM NOW ON RAMBUNCTIOUS STATEMENTS LIKE THOSE WILL BE OF COURSE MEANINGLESS.

7. IN THE FACE OF THIS GRAVE CONJUNCTURE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM EARNESTLY APPEALS TO THE GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES IN THE WORLD TO CLEARLY REALIZE THE REAL SITUATION
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IN SOUTH VIET-NAM IN ORDER TO CONDEMN THE AGGRESSOR -- THAT IS THE HANOI ADMINISTRATION -- AND TO CONCENTRATE THEIR CONCERN ON THE FATE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE CURRENT GENERALIZED MILITARY OFFENSIVE OF WHICH THE COMMUNIST SIDE MUST SHOULD THE FULL RESPONSIBILITY.

8. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM APPEALS TO INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS, ESPECIALLY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF RED CROSS (ICRC), THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSION FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR), THE UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND (UNICEF), THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO), ETC. TO TAKE NECESSARY MEASURES TO PROTECT LIVES AND TO ASSIST THE VICTIMS.

9. ALTHOUGH THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAS INCESSANTLY COMMITTED ACTS OF SABOTAGE AGAINST THE PARIS AGREEMENT, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM REMAINS FAITHFUL TO ITS UNSWERVING POSITION WHICH IS TO SCRUPULOUSLY IMPLEMENT AND RESOLUTELY SAFEGUARD THIS AGREEMENT.

10. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM HAS ALWAYS KEPT THE DOORS OPEN TO THE NEGOTIATIONS AT LA CELLE SAINT CLOUD AND TAN SON HUT (SAIGON).

11. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM APPEALS TO ALL
PEACELOVING PEOPLES IN THE WORLD TO RAISE THEIR VOICE FOR
JUSTICE AND USE THEIR INFLUENCE TO INDUCE THE COMMUNIST SIDE
TO END ITS AGGRESSIVE WAR AND IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT
OF 27 JANUARY 1973. SAIGON, 08 JANUARY 1975. END TEXT.
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